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Submitted herewith is the following patent application:

Title: COMMUNICATION CONNECTING DEVICE WITH A RELIABLE
TRANSMISSION CAPABILITY AND A DATA OUTPUT CONTROL
METHOD

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The application includes

- ☒ a description pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.71;
- ☒ at least one claim pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.75;
- ☒ Formal drawings pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.81(a) [7 sheets]
(Figs. 1-6).
- ☒ Certified copy of Japan 2000-255727 filed August 22, 2000.



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In view of the above, it is requested that this application be accorded a filing date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(1).

A Declaration signed by the inventors and the filing fee will be submitted in due course.

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